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*Holbrook Ariz
Friday afternoon
March 8, 1940*

Dear Mr. Bekins,

We are now at the ~~Red~~ Bluff Station in Holbrook and broken down ~~again~~.

We arrived here last night, or yesterday afternoon. We had a bent frame which we had already straightened in Show Low and which we had to go to work ~~again~~ on again. The frame on the truck was bent and cracked where the weight of the semi rests.

We went to work this morn., straightened the frame and paid \$6.00 to have it welded and strenghtened. Loaded all up and started to back up on level ground. The low gear in the Packard transmission stripped out while we were backing and had been backing for several feet on level ground.

We had picked up the new carburetor and installed it last night. It works fine and every thing else is OK. I will send the old one back to you by Railway Express sometime today.

We strepped the compound gear out of the same transmission while being pulled out of the creek bottom by the state highway dept. We fished out the teeth and went on with the low which is sufficient for all purposes ~~except~~ in pulling out of a hole. The compound went out at about the same place on the last trip and the low went out when we were pulling the truck into camp with the tractor. I think I am right when I say we have stripped out either three or four second, low and compound gears now in that same transmission. (three or four of each) With all the care and caution we can possibly use they keep going out.

The combination of the two taransmissions gives us all the power that we can possibly use but as I have said before the motor is too small to give us any speed. The progress is nearly all in low gears. ~~When~~ we do get a chance to roll we are limited to direct high. The motor is working and sounding fine and we can get along OK with the direct high, but when we have continually replace gears, gears all the time it is costly both in time and money. The only thing we can do now is to have you send us another low and compound gear or just a low alone in order to make camp. With the exception of the Kaibab Mt. and Zion Canyon we will not have any more ~~graling~~ pulls till we reach St. George. We should

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We are getting so used to this sort of thing that we just swore a few times, smiled over the fact that we were in a town and off the road and now I am writing you.

We will have the transmission out by tomorrow afternoon and ready for the gear. After that we will not have any thing to do but wait for the gear you will send.

I got a ride with a truck driver the other day who happened to mention the fact that he had an old used Brown Lipe Transmission out of a 5 ton White truck. It is complete with two universal joints. I immediately got interested and dickered with him on a price. He will sell it for \$50.00 or two tons of grade A potatoes from Utah. I had planned to write you and see if we could have enough money (about \$40.00) to buy potatoes and trade for it. Since we are going to be here for several days with out much to do I would like to hithh hikeback up to Clay Springs where the transmission is and buy it. We could then take it back with us and install it at camp. Perhaps you can do better and perhaps you think it best not to spend the money so I will leave it up to you.

If you feel that this is a good price and that we should have it, send \$50.00 dollars and I will go up and buy it from this fellow. This action will delay us a little in getting started back here from Utah but it will certainly save us some time some gas and oil money and above all an awful lot of trouble.

We have \$27.80 left out of the \$50.00 you sent to us and it will go as follows: \$18.75 for 125 gals of gas which should take us clear into camp. \$2.00 for a 50 gal drum and a good 10 gal can we can use for water and pouring gas form the drums to the tank. About \$1.50 to get some cloths washed and about \$.50 for a bath or shower someplace. We are getting rather grimy after better than three weeks worth of dirt collecting. That amounts to about \$22.75 out of the \$27.80 and then it costs us a little better than a dollar a day to eat on. It will probably be a little more here since milk costs 15¢ a bottle here and most every thing else is high.

When we get to the state line at Fredonia \$\$, that is if we can make it that far with out being stopped we will have to pay a little better than \$30 dollars for license. I have tried to find out for sure the price on the license here at the license bureau but thay do not have that info since the highway patrolmen are the only ones that handle these limited permits.

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The patrolman at Fredonia said the cost would be \$25.00 and some cents for the weight we had before we put on the bed. The Semi now weighs considerable more, in fact it weighs \$\$\$\$\$ 9750 empty.

Well I have said about enough so I will bring this to a close.

OH I nearly forgot you might wonder how I got rid of the other money out of that 50. We bought 18 gals of gas at Show Low, gear oil, valve stems, help in moving out of the creek and a mud hole, groceries, stamps and freight on that axel.

There is a number on the side of the Packard transmission (P-4731) and I suppose that it is the same year modle as the truck. (1922). The transmission is a four speed type. I guess with that you will be able to get the low gear and compound if possible for us since you are probably famillare with it any way.

We will be waiting for the parts and a letter or telegram from you. We also hope that your well, and up and around now.

*Yours truly,
 W. [unclear] and John*

*Can address us at box 56 Webrook in
 Red Bluff Station No 2.*

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